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Texas Heart. German Soul.

Fredericksburg CVB Partner Meeting

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- FY23 Q4 Sales Missions
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August

• Receptive Tour Operator Summit

September

- Texas Society of Association Executives New Ideas Conference
- Texas Bridal Wedding Expo
- Small Market Meetings Tradeshow
- Hosted FAM Visit USA/Australia (2)
- Hosted FAM EurAM & Air Canada (12)

October

- Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- Brand USA Travel Week
- Connect Texas, Marketplace The Woodlands
- Hosted FAM HABLO Glasgow, Scotland (2)
- San Antonio Wedding Show

Agency of Record





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YTD – Sourced Leads / Room Nights vs. STLY				
	YTD Leads	YTD Lead Room Nights		
FY23	326	81,662		
FY22	326	66,760		

YTD – Definite Bookings / Room Nights vs. STLY				
	YTD Room Nights			
FY23	112	11,195		
FY22	93	8,982		

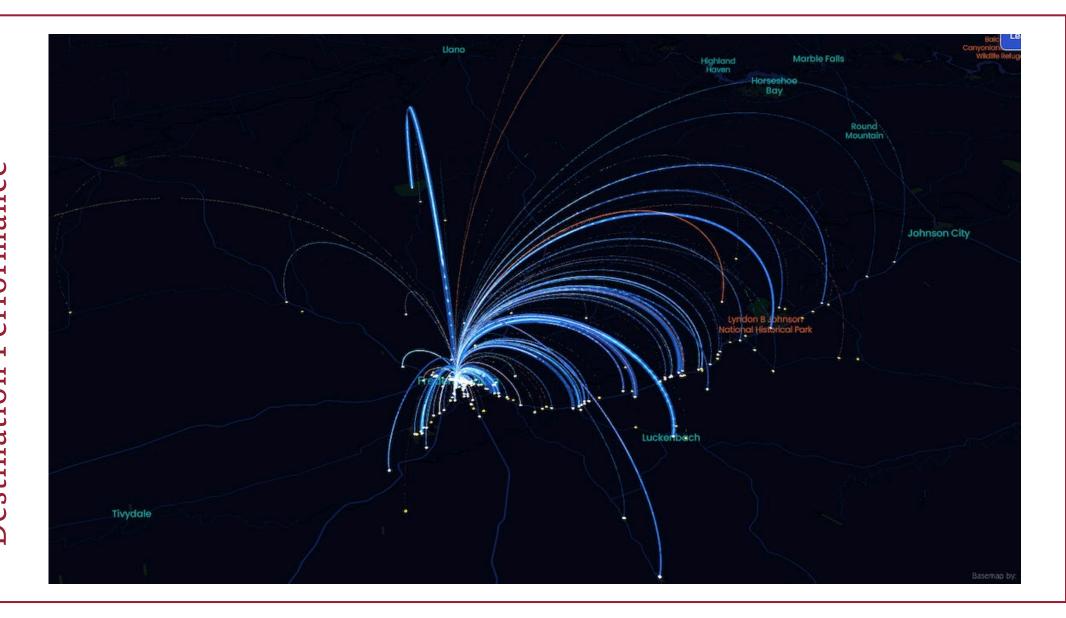
YTD - Smith Travel Research Metrics					
	Occupancy	ADR	RevPAR	Supply	Demand
FY23	59.5%	\$123.68	\$73.62	450,045	267,869
FY22	58.3%	\$128.06	\$74.70	451,265	263,222

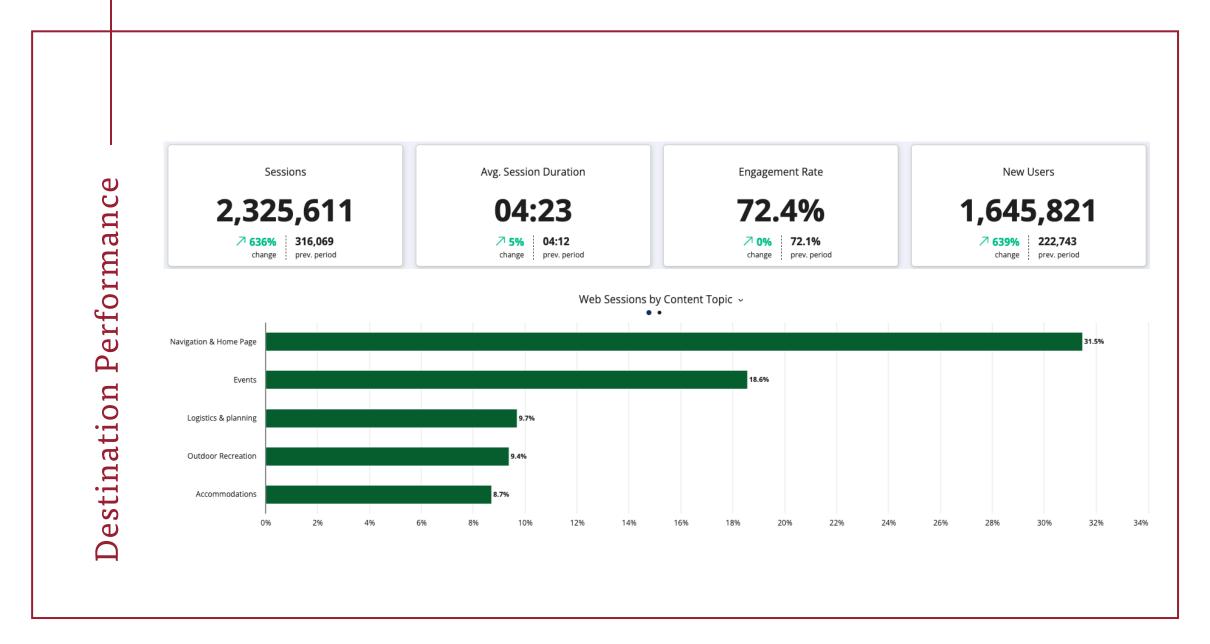
YTD – Key Data Metrics						
	Occupancy	ADR	RevPAR	Supply	Demand	
FY23	53.2%	\$294.63	\$156.73	930,699	495,099	
FY22	45.9%	\$318.85	\$146.46	876,565	402,659	

YTD – Blended Metrics						
	Occupancy	ADR	RevPAR	Supply	Demand	
FY23	55.3%	\$234.61	\$129.64	1,380,744	762,968	
FY22	50.1	\$243.43	\$122.07	1,327,850	665,881	

SALES TAX COMPARISON SUMMARY - NOVEMBER, 2023 (SEPTEMBER SALES)

CITY	% change month	% change ytd	COUNTY	% change month	% change ytd
Fredericksburg	0.55	3.97	Gillespie	0.76	9.08
Kerrville	(8.64)	2.71	Kerr	(7.63)	3.18
Boerne	7.25	14.41	Kendall	5.46	12.07
Llano	(2.95)	7.38	Llano	(2.61)	7.14
Marble Falls	1.64	3.01	Burnet	1.63	4.59
Bandera	1.79	0.89	Bandera	2.47	2.72
Johnson City	21.71	10.19	Blanco	6.63	9.64
Brenham	8.18	5.59	Washington	4.84	10.51
New Braunfels	2.21	(0.85)	Comal	0.45	5.05
Rockport	(0.67)	0.74	Aransas	(0.05)	0.86
Corpus Christi	3.11	5.15	Nueces	3.43	5.25
Austin	(3.96)	3.84	Travis	(3.89)	3.62
San Antonio	(3.17)	2.74	Bexar	(3.73)	1.64
Houston	3.79	5.78	Harris	3.53	5.90
Dallas	(3.47)	4.07	Dallas	2.95	4.47
State (Cities)	1.71	4.94	State (Counties)	3.71	9.68





2023

Small selection of articles since July 2023 as a result of Fredericksburg CVB and Geiger & Associates media marketing efforts



The Hill Country

The rolling terrain of the **Hill Country** in Central Texas is home to **Fredericksburg**, with its throwback main street full of indie boutiques and **German restaurants** plus **60-plus wineries** in and around town. You'll also find cowboy culture in **Bandera** and the beer-drinking enclave made famous in **Waylon Jennings'** song "**Luckenbach**, **Texas**."



How to visit Texas sustainably

Help preserve habitat by sticking to designated trails and roads. Support businesses that promote dark night skies. It's legal to drive on public beaches, but watch for wildlife, including nesting sea turtles, and use reefsafe sunscreen. The **Love Fredericksburg** and **Port A Way**stewardship campaigns encourage visitors to keep an eye out for wildlife and pick up litter. Look for LEED-certified hotels and restaurants committed to selling locally grown food.

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TEXAS & SOUTHWEST



TRIED-AND-TRUE TEXAS 'CUE

Because the word "best" is a subjective term ruled by personal preferences, it's wise to dig deeper when locals point you to their favorite barbecue joint: Ask for specifics. You might find hidden gems or stellar food trucks off the beaten path. To start, here's a shortlist of Texas opera-tions that have stood the test of time, won accolades or both:

× TERRY BLACK'S BARBECUE AUSTIN, DALLAS AND LOCKHART

A central Texas mainstay, twin brothers Michael and Mark Black are the third generation of their family working the barbecue pit at the business founded in 2014 and named after their father. The family hails from Lockhart, considered the Barbecue Capital of Texas. If a craving for their fare follows you home, not to worry: Black's also ships its 'cue nationwide.

* MREUZ DARMET LOCKHART

Its origins dating to 1875, Kreuz Market claims to be the OG barbecue purveyor in Lockhart. The business changed hands to the Kreuz family in 1900, when it took its current name, and has retained the brand while trading ownership multiple times since. Barbecue aficionados come here for the shoulder clod, a cut of beef unfamiliar to the less-obsessed.

× 3URDS DRIGHDAL 330 HOUSTON

In 1973, Roy Burns Sr. began selling barbecue with his signature rub in Houston's Acres Homes neighborhood. Fifty years later, the Burns brand is among the Texas barbecue institutions with the late Anthony Bourdain's stamp of approval. It has four locations in the Houston area.

* EAMER BARBECUE

FREDERICKSBURG

Equidistant from San Antonio and Austin, this is Texas 'cue with a Korean twist. Named to Texas Monthly's 2021 50 Best BBQ Joints list, it's one not to miss, if only for Eaker's truly original, Korean-influenced gochujang pork ribs.

* FRANKLIN BARBEBUE MITZHA

founded in 2009 in a roadside ments from late-night TV show host Jimmy Kimmel, President Barack Obama and the late Anthony Bourdain. Owner Aaror Franklin offers a master class in your Texas trip around it.

× LULING CITY MARKET

Founded in 1981, this staple since they opened b guests with two homemade desserts: pecan pie and a

× 3NOW 3 BBD

Launched in 2003 by Kerry Bexley and pitmaster Tootsie Tomenetz, this small operation emerged from relative obscurity to win the top honor on Texas Monthly's 2008 50 Best BBQ Joints list — remarkable for an operation open only on Saturdays from 8 a.m to whenever they sell out of meat

barbecue for the truly obsessed, a huge take-home bonus if you plan

smokes beef, turkey and port over Post Oak wood fires and touts its beef sausage, a recipi that's been a Craig family

LEXINGTON

* PEBAN LODGE DALLAS

A relative newcomer, the over 10-year-old Pecan Lodge in Dallas' Deep Ellum district is there for the barbecue addict, truly. It is open seven days a week until and this is a good sign — they sell out their smoked cuts.



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follow your interests DFW Explores Emotions Through Art

TRAVEL & ADVENTURE



EDERICKSBURG, a German community in the Texas Hill Country, is northwest the settlement Fredericksburg after Prince Frederic of San Antonio. Here you can taste the German spirit in the cuisine and award-winning wine and feel Settlers received a town lot and 10 acres in the country the welcoming soul of the people. for farming. The farmers came into town on Saturday

redericksburg is famous for its small inns, "Sunday houses," and traditional bed & breakfasts, with more than 1500 individual lodges available. I love the great art galleries, museums, and boutiques for shopping

I like to take the scenic country drive down US Hwy 67/281 and TX 16 from Dallas/Fort Worth to Freder icksburg through Hamilton, Goldthwaite, San Saba, and Llano. It may take a little longer because you are going through the little towns, but you avoid the traffs



History of Fredericksburg

September/October 2023 www.fyi50plus.com

John O. Meusebach led German immigrants to settle

in the area on May 8, 1846, under the Society for the

Take your choice with Traditional German cuisine at The Auslander Restaurant and Biergarten, contemporary German food at Otto's German Bistro. Southern-style sarbecue at Eaker Barbecue, and "Old Town" burgers at Altstadt's Brewery. Top it off with a cold local German. style brew. Enjoy migas for breakfast at Hilda's, dinner at the award-winning Cabernet Grill featuring steaks, wild-caught seafood, an extensive list of wine pairings



Wind through the vineyards to The Vine on Middle Creek. 10 minutes from downtown Fredericksburg, to find six cottages and a kitchen and dining area in a

I enjoyed grazing deer in the early mornings and light ning bugs flashing across the lawn at dusk. Other accommodations include the mid-century

3.5 acres. modern farmstead. Outlot 201 Guest Houses, and Behr House Bed and Breakfast, a relaxing country retreat or See the Vereins Kirche, the Society Church, centered in the Marketplatz, or town square, serving as the early church, school, and community center.

> Hill Country Herb Garden Restaurant and Spa features 14 individually decorated cottages, a nature spa, The

Things to Do in Fredericksburg

There is no shortage of activities in Fredericksburg, and

my advice is to make the Visitor Center your first stop.

See the introductory film about the town and take the

Visit the Pioneer Museum Complex, including the Weber

Sunday House and several 19th-century structures on

Historic Frederickshurg District Tour aboard a red trolley.

ical garden featuring Texas culinary plants and herbs, Wildseed Farms is the nation's largest working wild-

flower farm, with over a thousand acres of wildflowers and 42 acres of Texas grapes. Explore the gift shop, wildflower walking trail and gardens, Lantana Nursery and Pottery, and the Brewbonnet Biergarten. The farm ventured into wine-making and launched the tasting

Reserve a driver and explore the 290 Wine Road between Johnson City and Fredericksburg with more than 70 wineries to stop, sniff, swirl, and sip. We tasted Becker Vineyards, Lost Draw Cellars, Messina Hof, and Kuhlman Cellars. Some wineries offer places where you

The Lyndon B Johnson National Historical Park shares the schoolhouse where LBJ signed the landmark Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, the family cemetery, the ranch show barn, the airplane hangar, the LBJ Texas Whitehouse, and the visitor's center.

Sauer-Beckman Living History Farm is a working farm that shows Texas pioneer life in the 1800s.

TRAVEL & ADVENTURE

Restaurant with garden-inspired eats and sips, a botan- The 700-acre LBJ State Park features the park headquarters, cabins, a bison herd, longhorn cattle, and a nature trail with a botanical exhibit.

> The world-class National Museum of the Pacific War offers the most thorough Asian-Pacific account of World War II from the Admiral Nimitz Foundation, the State of Texas, and the Texas Historical Commission.

> Enchanted Rock State Natural Area is a massive 425foot pink granite dome rising above the terrain north of Fredericksburg tied to myths and legends from way back. Join a star party at this International Dark Sky Park, hike the trails, camp, bird, and geocache.

> St. Mary's Catholic Church, one of the painted churches of Texas, offers brief tours of the beautiful stained-glass windows, the pulpit, altars, spires, and crosses. You are encour aged to look up to see everything pointing up to heaven.

Willkammen to Fredericksburg!

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AWARDS // TRAVEL



Explore the 10 mustvisit wine regions in the US for a perfect getaway

Sip your way around the country

Best Wine Region (2023)

JULY 21, 2023

Nearly every state in the U.S. grows grapes and, of course, with grapes come wine. With hundreds of wine-producing regions throughout the country to consider, we tasked a panel of wine industry experts to select their top nominees. Then, readers voted for their favorites.

Here are the 10 best wine regions across the country.

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Photo courtesy of Texas Hill Country Wineries

No. 10: Texas Hill Country - Texas

The scenic Texas Hill Country surrounding the communities of Austin, Fredericksburg, Stonewall, Lampasas and New Braunfels is home to more than 50 different wineries. This American Viticultural Area is the second largest in the country, growing varietals like tempranillo, viognier and cabernet sauvignon, with an increasing acreage of warm-weather grapes being planted.

AWARDS // TRAVEL



Raise your steins! 10 best Oktoberfest celebrations in the US

Get your lederhosen ready

Best Oktoberfest (2023)

SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

No. 6: Oktoberfest Fredericksburg

Renowned across The Lone Star State for its deep ties to German culture, Fredericksburg highlighting its heritage with its annual Oktoberfest, a three-day event kicking off on October 6. Guests can catch lively musical performances across each of the venue's five stages, while families can take full advantage of the KinderPark, a space loaded with kid-friendly games and activities.

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Oktoberfest was born in 1810 when Prince Ludwig of Bavaria married Princess Therese, and they threw quite the beer-infused party to celebrate. Today, this German festival is recreated in cities across the United States each fall.

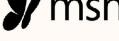
These 10 Oktoberfest events have been voted as the best in the country by our readers for their appreciation of German culture and heritage, featured events and entertainment, and selection of German beer and food.



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Mommy Travels + Follow

12 Top Wineries in Fredericksburg, Texas

Story by Mommy Travels • 1mo

redericksburg is a charming Texas town known for its gorgeous attraction sites, stunning ews, antique shops, and world-class wine. The wine scene in Fredericksburg is so great nat you will find a winery for everyone: red, white, kid-friendly, sparkling wines, and more.

2 Best Wineries in Fredericksburg, Texas

ere are some of the best wineries in Fredericksburg, Texas with fabulous spaces for



This Fredericksburg winery is a perfect place to enjoy a great wine-tasting experience paired wi winery features a sophisticated Tuscan-inspired tasting room with many tasting options, includ Tasting, Tour & Wine Tasting, and Private Wine Tasting. Grape Creek Vineyards has over 5000 as can also tour the production facility to learn more about the processes involved in making the

One of the highlights of this winery is its vineyard restaurant, which serves different kinds of deincluding pizzas, chicken, waffles, and shrimp. Grape Creek Vineyards also has wine club memb exclusive access to private spaces and delicious wines, consider joining for free. Located at 105 Fredericksburg, TX 78624.

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Signor Vineyards is the epitome of luxury wine production. With a prime location where the Pedernales River Valley converges with Grape Creek, our vineyards thrive in the perfect environment for growing top-quality fruit. Their ent to excellence is evident in every bottle of our handcrafted, soulful wines, which truly capture the distinctive character of our terroir. Step into our charming tasting room and indulge in award-winning wines, surrounded by beautiful French country gardens. Complete your experience with a visit to Joanna's Market, where

Becker Vineyards

Becker is one of the best Vineyards in Fredericksburg, with its big outdoor patio, spacious tasting area, and awardwinning wines. This is one of the oldest wineries in the heart of the Texas Hill Country, but they stay committed to enhancing their wine flavors. Crowds are drawn to the quality of the Becker wines, the live music on weekends, and the 56 acres of vineyards and lavender fields set up for a wine tour on weekends. In addition to the vineyards and delicious wines, Beckers also houses a tasting room, an old homestead log cabin, an underground wine cellar, and a reception hall for special occasions. Located at 464 Becker Farms Road, Fredericksburg, TX, United States, 78624





Messina Hof has 3 locations across the state, and it's one of the largest producers of local wine in Texas. This awardwinning winery offers about 50 different wines, and with a fee, visitors can enjoy a guided wine tour and a four-wine tasting flight. One of the best ways to enjoy this winery is by visiting all 3 locations because they all offer exclusive wines specific to that tasting room. The winery is perfect for happy hour when you can enjoy wine and cheese on

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Experience the passion and vision of husband and wife tearn, Greg and Nikhila Narra Davis, as they create reptional, estate-grown wines at Kalasi Cellars. Their winery is committed to producing world-class quality wines

Using grapes grown on our own 140 acre vineyard in the Texas High Plains, our skilled winemakers carefully craft



where quests can stop to sip wine, enjoy the scenic atmosphere, and even re, you will find fountains, an outdoor seating area, and spectacular views). Baron Creeks offers wines made from the best grapes in Texas, ose track of time with the variety of options available. Some of the options ilanc, and Merlot. Located at 5865 HWY 290 EAST, Fredericksburg, TX, United

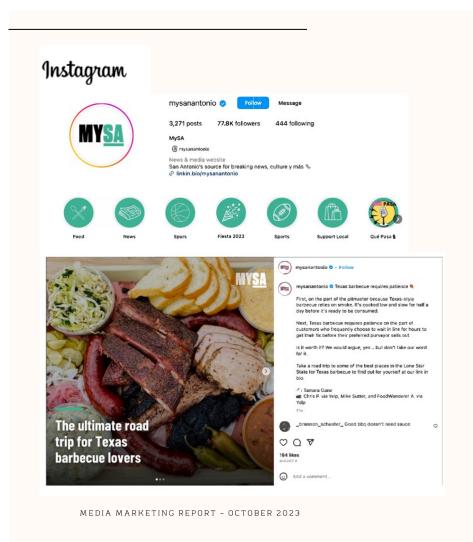


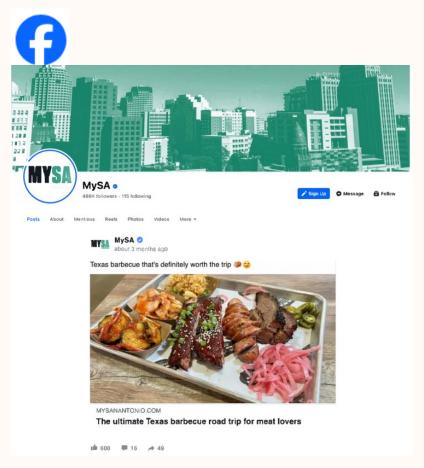
Heath Sparkling Winery offers a unique experience for those who love their bubbles. Their beautiful tasting room introduces you to the steps of making sparkling wine with seasonal bites you can pair with your sparkling wines. There are different grape varieties at Heath Sparkling, including Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Chenin Blanc, and Tannat. Some Heath Sparkling Wines are only available to people who join the wine club, so you might want to get a membership to taste their delicious Hill Country bubbly. Located at 10591 E US HWY 290, Fredericksburg, TX.



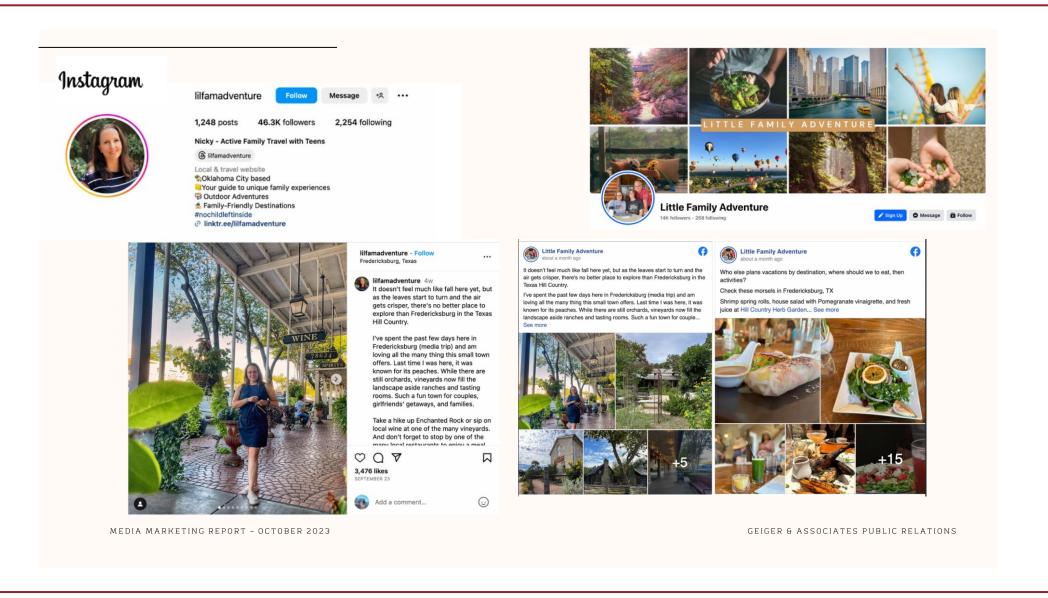
Lost Draw Cellars is a perfect place for a memorable wine tasting experience. It's one of the best wineries in the area and produces excellent organic wines from 100% Texas grapes. Lost Draw Cellars also offer snacks for guests to munch while immersing themselves in the delicious flavors of local wines. Their tasting room is at the Main Street in Fredericksburg, and you will find over five types of wine, including rose, red, and sparkling. They also offer different tasting options, including Reserve Tastings, Select Tastings, and Food & Wine Tastings.

In addition to enjoying great wine, Lost Draw Cellars is an excellent place for wine lovers who want to learn about wine and the history of the owners. Located at 113 E Park St. Fredericksburg, TX.





Quarterly Marketing Metri



Quarterly Marketing Metrics

231.3 million

TOTAL CONSUMERS REACHED

This cumulative number represents the total number of consumers reached since July 2023 including print circulation and digital visitors per month.

This cumulative number represents the total advertising equivalency for articles produced since July 2023 including pint and digital advertising.

\$ 566,481.00

TOTAL EARNED MEDIA VALUE

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November

- Small Boutique Meetings / Tucson, AZ
- Destination Texas / South Padre Island

<u>December</u>

Geiger Media FAM

January

- American Bus Association / Nashville, TN
- Southwest Showcase / Round Rock, TX
- Denver Travel and Adventure Show / Denver, CO
- Independent Planner Education Conference / Greenville, SC
- Brand USA Mexico Sales Mission



FCVB Marketing & Communications Efforts

Fall & Holiday Creative Themes





- If restaurants will be open on Thanksgiving, please let us know asap. 830-997-6523 or visitorinfo@fbgtx.org
- If partners will be open on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day or New Year's Day, please let us know.
- Fredericksburg's Christmas Nights of Lights starts on Tuesday, Nov. 21 and will run through Sunday, Jan. 7. The holiday music starts at 5 p.m. with the lights of Marktplatz turning on after a short-audio program at 6 p.m.
- Please submit any 2024 Events on VisitFredericksburgTX.com as soon as possible.
- As always, if partners need brochures for distribution in their business, please let us know and we can drop some off. If they have a rack card or brochure for their business, we are happy to display it in the Visitor Center.

Around the Room

Partner Updates

Q&A

Fredericksburg® THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

Texas Heart. German Soul.

Thank You

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NOVEMBER 15, 2023